

At first it was a technological breakthrough. Humans created the Robotrons — a species of robots so advanced they didn't need their inventors in order to think and act. But the Robotrons have turned on their creators! They've now determined to destroy humanity — or reprogram the survivors, turning them into destructive mutants!

Getting Started

1. Insert the **Robotron 2084™** cartridge into your **Atari® 2600™** ProSystem as explained in your Owner's Manual, and turn on your console.
2. Plug a controller into the left controller jack for one player, and another into the right controller jack for two players.
3. Move the controller handle forward or backward, or press (press) to choose a one- or two-player game. Move the controller handle to the left or right to choose a difficulty level: Novice, Intermediate, Advanced, Expert, or Challenge.
4. Press either controller button to fire—your anti-robot laser gun will shoot in the direction you move the controller. You can play **Robotron** with one or two controllers.

For a one-player game, move with left controller, and fire with left controller button in

the direction the player is moving. Or, move with left controller, and fire by moving the right controller in the direction you want to fire.

For a two-player game, Player 2 uses the left controller for moving and either the left controller fire button or the right controller for firing.

5. Press (Pause) to pause a game, press it again to resume play.

Playing the Game

Alert!

Recently intercepted Robotron communications reveal that only a few clones of the last human family remain alive on Earth!

Your Mission

Prepare immediately to step up the counter-attack. Save the surviving humanity!

Extreme Danger

The Robotrons know about you—the only one immune to their reprogramming. They will stalk you relentlessly.

Technical Data

Your only weapon is your anti-robot laser gun. With it you can destroy the entire Robotron species except the Hulk.

The Robotrons attack in waves, with different kinds of Robotrons

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In each wave, A new wave appears each time you destroy all the Robotrons on your screen — except the invincible Hulk. You have five lives, and for every 25,000 points you score, you earn another life and another chance to complete your mission.

Strategy

By saving as many remaining humans as you can, you'll rack up the most points. To do this, quickly get clear of the middle of the screen at the start of each Robotron wave, but avoid the corners. Concentrate on wiping out the Spheroids and Quarks first. Eliminate most of the rest of the Robotrons, leaving a few Goats alive. Then pick up the remaining humans before you destroy the last Robotron.

You are the only hope for saving humanity. Good luck!
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Robotrons

Mindless Goats

The Goats are brainless robots with one mission to do you in.

Indestructible Hulks

None of all Robotrons, Hulks cannot be destroyed but can annihilate the

human clones. Your laser gun only slows them down. Avoid the Hulks at all costs.

Giant Brains

Launched every fifth wave, the Giant Brains can electrocute you where you stand. If a Brain catches a human, it reprograms the victim, who then turns against you viciously as a mutant Prog. The Brain also fits deadly Cruise Missiles that seek you out mercilessly.

Sister Spheroids and Their Deadly Spawn

Spheroids bring forth the Enforcer Embryos, which grow into evil Enforcers. Enforcers heighten the attack by launching Enforcer Spawns.

Galvanizing Electrodes

The Electrodes block your path, changing form with each new wave. You must vaporize them with your laser gun or they'll destroy you!

Cable Quarks and the Torturing Tanks

Quarks wildly produce deadly Torturing Tanks that throw off bounce bombs.

Last Surviving Family

Man, Woman, and Child

Only a handful of human clones remain on earth. Touch as many as you can to place them under your protective powers.



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Scoring

First human saved	1000 points
Second human saved	2000 points
Third human saved	3000 points
Fourth human saved	4000 points
Fifth and more humans saved	5000 points each

Exercises for the Reader

Cubic Cluster	1000 points
Spheroid (before it hatches Embryo)	1000 points
Giant Brain	500 points
Turning Tank	200 points
Enforcer	150 points
Striding Giant	100 points
Frog	100 points
Cruise Missile	25 points
Enforcer Squid	25 points
Source Bomb	25 points



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